Exam #3

1.(m/c) Which of the following are additional components that your professor includes in the military industrial complex?

a. intelligence b. security c. Congress d. a and b e. all of above

2.(t/f) According to Chalmers Johnson, since WWII U.S. defense policy has included the defense of Saudi Arabia.

3.(m/c) All of the following are functions of the military-industrial complex within the constellation of power EXCEPT:

a. protect and further interests of the core. b. protect and further U.S. strategic interests.

c. surveillance over U.S. citizens. d. manufacture an enemy. e. none are exceptions

4.(m/c) The legislation that prevents the U.S. government from using the U.S. military against the citizens of the U.S. is:

a. Homeland Security Act b. ex parte Milligan c. Posse Comitatus

5.(t/f) According to Chalmers Johnson, one of the strategic interests of the American Empire is space dominance and to achieve the goal of space dominance the U.S. has established a Space Command.

6.(m/c) Having eternal enemies upon which to wage war is beneficial for the constellation of power in which of the following ways?

a. increases profit through the need for weapons systems.

b. distracts the publics attention from important social issues.

c. eliminates dissent d. a and c e. all of above

7.(m/c) According to Chalmers Johnson, all of the following are means used by the military-industrial complex to perform its functions EXCEPT:

a. military intervention in the affairs of other countries.

b. covert intervention in the affairs of other countries. c. military aid for cooperative governments

d. an extensive empire of bases e. none are exceptions

8.(m./c) Which of the following organizations trained the majority of Latin American soldiers who were active in “death squads.”

a. School of the Americas b. Joint Combined Exchange Training Program

c. Foreign Military Financing Program

9.(m/c) The highest amount of U.S. military aid goes to which two countries?

a. Israel and Egypt b. Pakistan and Turkey c. India and Japan

10.(m/c) The U.S. spends \_\_\_\_\_ of its discretionary budget on the military.

a. 33% b. 47% c. 56% d. 66%

11(t/f) According to your professor, if all the money in the federal budget that goes to the military, directly and indirectly, is taken into account, the U.S. spends more on the military than all the other countries spend added together.

12.(m/c) The Pentagon can not account for approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dollars.

a. $10 billion b. $100 billion c. $1 trillion d. $1.7 trillion

13.(t/f) According to the lecture, the U.S. has 6000 bases, 750 of which are in 163 foreign countries.

14.(m/c) Which of the following is (are) true about U.S. military assests?

a. The U.S. has the largest air force in the world. b. The U.S. has the largest navy in the world.

c. The U.S. has the largest store of chemical and biological weapons.

d. a an b e. all of above

15.(m/c) All of the following are large weapons contractors EXCEPT

a. Lockeed-Martin b. Ratheon c. General Dynamics d. Boeing

e. none are exceptions

16.(m/c) Weapons contractors get cost + contracts from the government to guarantee that they will make a profit. Currently, cost overruns for military contractors are:

a. $100 billion b. $200 billion c. $300 billion d. $500 billion

17.(t/f) The U.S. is the biggest weapons dealer in the world.

18.(t/f) The National Security Agency (NSA) is an intelligence agency of the military.

19.(t/f) The U.S. military has recruiting offices in shopping centers where potential recruits can play war video games.

20.(t/f) The U.S. government through the Defense Export Loan Guarantee Fund guarantees that U.S. corporations that sell weapons to other countries will make a profit.

21.(m/c) PMCs have assumed which of the following functions traditionally performed by the U.S. military?

a. security for traveling dignitaries b. logistics and infrastructure support

c. intelligence gathering d. b and c e. all of above

22.(t/f) KBR built barracks for U.S. soldiers; the construction was faulty and led to the deaths of U.S. soldiers, subsequently KBR got more contracts to built more barracks.

23.(m/c) The Aerospace Industry Association is an example of a:

a. trade group b. think tank c. foundation

24.(m/c) All of the following are reasons that Congress always passes defense appropriation bills EXCEPT:

a. many Congressmen have stock in defense contractors

b. Congressmen are afraid of voting no and being characterized as weak on national security

c. Congressmen are afraid of voting no and being accused of voting against jobs.

d. They believe that “pork” will make us safer e. none are exceptions

25.(t/f) According to your professor, universities are not part of the military-industrial complex.

26.(m/c) According to George Bush’s definition of a rogue nation, all of the following are rogue nations EXCEPT:

a. Israel b. U.S. c. Canada d. Pakistan e. none are exceptions

27.(m/c) The U.S. is trying to develop all of the following weapons EXCEPT:

a. missile defense system b. killer satellites

c. “earth burrowing bunker busting nukes” d. Prozac bombs e. none are exceptions

28.(t/f) Private military contractors who commit crimes say that they can not be tried under Iraqi or U.S. law because they are part of the military and covered by military law, but they also claim that they can not be tried under military law because they are civilians.

29.(m/c) Chalmers Johnson argues that the American Empire is most comparable to the:

a. British Empire b. Roman Empire c. Mongol Empire

30.(t/f) The ideology of the British Empire was the “White Man’s Burden.”

31.(m/c) The goals of the British Empire were:

a. cheap resources b. open markets c. cheap labor d. a and c e. all of above

32.(t/f) The British in order to expand and maintain its empire committed genocide and created the first concentration camps.

33.(m/c) According to Johnson, all of the following were “sorrows of the Roman Empire” EXCEPT:

a. military dictator with Caesar as imperial sovereign. b. Roman Senate reduced to impotence.

c. end of the Roman Republic d. empire was overwhelmed by enemies that it had created.

e. none are exceptions

34.(t/f) According to Johnson, the very beginning of the American Empire was the Monroe Doctrine of 1823 and the Empire took its final form with the Bush Doctrine of 2002.

35.(m/c) According to Johnson, the American Empire dominates the world through:

a. military power b. diplomacy and military power c. economic power

d. the power of its ideas e. all of above

36.(m/c) All of the following are characteristics of militarism EXCEPT:

a. military becomes dominant institution in society. b. military leaders assume civilian leadership roles.

c. foreign policy becomes militarized d. military values become dominant social values.

e. none are exceptions

37.(t/f) According to Johnson, the American Empire ignores international law.

38.(m/c) In which of the following ways does Johnson argue that imperialism is intertwined with militarism?

a. Weapons contractors benefit from war because they receive weapons contracts.

b. Private military contractors benefit because they receive contracts to perform functions previously performed by the military in times of conflict.

c. Insurance companies and sun block companies benefit by providing goods and services for the military.

d. Obsequious corporate media benefits because viewership goes up during a war. e. all of above

39.(m/c) According to Johnson, all of the following were roots of American militarism EXCEPT:

a. the U.S. conquest of the Philippines in the Spanish-American War.

b. Platt Amendment c. the creation of a General Staff based on the Prussian model

d. Wilson’s intervention in the Mexican Civil War. e. none are exceptions

40.(t/f) According to Johnson, Wilson’s famous Fourteen Points included the principle of self-determination for all countries.

41.(t/f) According to Johnson, the Platt Amendment guaranteed independence and self-determination for Cuba.

42.(t/f) Warren G. Harding justified the U.S. invasion of the Philippines because God told him it was what he should do.

43.(t/f) Manifest destiny is the belief that god ordained the white race to conquer the land, now known as the U.S., from Atlantic to Pacific.

44.(t/f) One of the roots of militarism, according to Johnson, in the Korean War was the military challenge to civilian authority, specifically Douglas MacArthur’s direct disobedience of President Truman’s orders.

45.(m/c) All of the following were roots of militarism that developed during the Cold War EXCEPT:

a. permanent war economy b. professional military class

c. military leaders to civilian leadership positions

d. military preparedness as the countries highest priority. e. none are exceptions

46.(t/f) According to Johnson, George H.W. Bush’s National Security Strategy identified new enemies after the fall of the Soviet Union; they were “the axis of evil.”

47.(t/f) As President, Ronald Reagan declared a State of Emergency because of the possible invasion of the U.S. by Nicaragua.

48.(t/f) According to the Bush Doctrine, the U.S. economic model is the only acceptable model for other countries.

49.(m/c) According to the Bush Doctine, the U.S. needs to do all of the following to maintain its global hegemony EXCEPT:

a. maintain strategic and economic influence in the Middle East.

b. make sure that third world countries adopt their national goals in line with U.S. goals.

c. respond militarily to any threats to its global hegemony.

d. maintain its treaty obligations e. none are exceptions

50.(m/c) According to the Bush Doctrine, the new standards for the U.S.’s right to use force against other countries are all of the following EXCEPT:

a. if leaders of countries have hostile intentions. b. if countries have alleged connection with terrorists.

c. if countries have alleged potential connections with terrorists.

d. if the U.S. anticipates possible future danger from a country. e. none are exceptions

51.(t/f) According to the Nuclear Posture Review, the U.S. will never use nuclear weapons first against another country.

52.(m/c) According to Johnson, the two pillars of early U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East were:

a. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait b. Iran and Saudi Arabia

c. Israel and Saudi Arabia d. Saudi Arabia and Iraq

53.(t/f) According to Johnson, early U.S. interest in Iraq was to bring democracy to the country, like the U.S. had done in so many other countries of the Middle East.

54.(m/c) According to Chalmers Johnson, during Iraq’s war with Iran, the U.S. supplied Saddam Hussein with all of the following EXCEPT:

a. weapons b. loans c. technology d. intelligence e. none are exceptions

55.(m/c) According to Chalmers Johnson, the U.S. went to war with Iraq a second time because of all of the following reasons EXCEPT:

a. to overthrow Saddam and establish a puppet government.

b. to establish a permanent military presence, an extension of its empire of bases.

c. to control the world’s second largest oil reserves.

d. to liberate the Iraqi people e. none are exceptions

56.(t/f) Johnson argues that the U.S. had no exit strategy when it invaded Iraq because it never planned to leave.

57.(t/f) Johnson argues that 9-11 was just an excuse for waging war against Iraq again. The plan for waging war was developed long before 9-11; he points to the PNAC and the Joint Chiefs Assessment.

58.(t/f) According to Johnson, one of the “sorrows of American empire” will be the Empire having to confront more and more countries with nuclear weapons.

59.(m/c) All of the following are examples of the loss of democracy and our constitutional rights EXCEPT:

a. imperial presidency b. Oct 3-10 c. loss of the Great Writ

d. Obama’ s claim of sovereign immunity e. none are exceptions

60.(m/c) The lying world distorts democracy in which of the following ways?

a. disinforms the citizenry. b. marginalizes dissent c. cultivates fear

d. glorifies military and its values e. all of above

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Match the institution in the structure of power to its function

Institutions Function

61. militaries a. trade agreements

62. fw corporate media b. regulatory organizations

63. IMF c. developmental loans

64. GATT, NAFTA d. enforcement

65. WTO, NAFTA CH 11 e. distraction and stupification

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66.(t/f) The ideology of neo-colonialism is free market capitalism.

67.(t/f) One of the main goals of neo-colonialism is privatization, an example is the goal of privatizing water systems.

68.(m/c) MNCs want their patents acknowledged in all countries. This is called:

a. financial liberalization b. intellectual property rights

69.(t/f) Third world elites are part of the hierarchy of power globally; they are usually dictators, because they govern in the interests of the MNCs and the FW.

70.(t/f) The main means by which neo-colonialism (economic imperialism) works is by

a. military conquest b. diplomacy c. putting a country in debt

71.(t/f) A natural or man-made disaster like the tsunami in Asia is an “opportunity” to achieve the goals of neo-colonialism.

72.(t/f) User fees for education and health care guarantee better access and better results. Senegal is a perfect example.

73.(t/f) Third world countries pay more in debt repayment than they receive in aid, thus guaranteeing that they will fall further and further into debt.

74.(t/f) There is enough food produced in the world to feed each person 4.3lbs of food per day.

75.(t/f) According to your professor, export processing zones serve the interests of which of the following:

a. workers because they provide jobs. b. cities because of the tax base

c. MNCs d. a and b e. all of above